

**Sung to Oh My Darling
Clementine**

CHORUS:

Oh my darlin, oh my darlin
Oh my darlin Shadow Lake
You are cool and clear and
comforting
Oh my darlin Shadow Lake

The Shadow Lake dam
Held a mill pond
It was used for cutting wood
It was built in 1826
It was doing very good.

CHORUS

Built around it
Was a village
Blacksmith, school, and a
store
It prospered for a while
Then it wasn't any more

CHORUS

Called Slab City
Work was hard here
Hauling logs And cutting
slabs
Driving horses, rolling logs
They musta had good
looking abs

CHORUS

The mill— it did close
And the work ceased
All the folks- they moved
away
But the dam held
And the water
It was surely here to stay

CHORUS

Then Shadow Lake dam
Built a community
Of lakeshore residents
From Barton to St
Johnsbury
It all made good sense

CHORUS

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And the work ceased
All the folks- they moved
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But the dam held
And the water
It was surely here to stay

CHORUS

In the early days
The water was adjusted
To adapt to ice melt and
snow
But rules changed and were
adopted
That hindered the flow

CHORUS

Then the rains came
The water rises
And pushed hard on the
dam
After years of indicators
The were holes
In our fair dam

CHORUS

Then the state came
Took some measurements
Noticed holes were wide
and gaped
The water must be lowered
So no Runaway Pond we
will make

CHORUS

Now we're waiting
For the dam repair
Which will take many a fee
It's a long walk to the water
now
And your only up to your
knees

CHORUS

It's gonna take us all
To solve the problem
To save Shadows dam
We'll need patience and lots
of funding
Please help us fix this
important dam